

Russell County Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
May 8, 2013  
9:30 A.M. EDT.

An adjourned meeting of the Russell County Commission was called to order. Members present were: Chair Peggy Martin, Vice Chair Cattie Epps, Gentry Lee, Tillman Pugh, Ronnie Reed, and Chance Corbett. Larry Screws was absent due to a previous engagement. Also present was the County Attorney Kenneth Funderburk and the Assistant Administrator Vickie Perry, who kept the minutes.

A quorum was established.

Chair Martin requested a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve the agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

The invocation was given by Grant Parker, Pastor of the Epworth United Methodist Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Martin.

Chair Martin requested a motion to approve the minutes for April 10<sup>th</sup> and April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting minutes. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve both sets of meeting minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

A proclamation for Community Action Month was given to the Macon-Russell Community Action Agency, Inc County Director Earlene Williams.

Coach Mike Parker announced the Russell County Sports Complex was awarded \$46,000 for lights from the Major League Baseball's Grant, "Baseball Tomorrow Fund". Money received will light a third field. He requested approval of two resolutions, one to accept the grant award and to match funds for completion of the project and the other is an agreement between Russell County and Lee-Russell Council of Governments for the administration of grant funds at the cost of \$4,600. Commissioner Epps motioned to approve both resolutions. Seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

A discussion for a scheduling a redistricting meeting took place. The State office has scheduled June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time for the Commission. Each Commissioner agreed to let the Administrator Horne know if that date is good for all to attend.

Sheriff Taylor requested a position change in the Sheriff's Department; a Sergeant will be moved back to a Senior Deputy with decreased to his salary and a promotion of a Deputy to the Sergeant's position with an increase to his salary. The budget will remain

the same. Commissioner Epps motioned to approve the changes and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

County Engineer Larry Kite stated due to the large amount of rain his department has fallen behind in scheduled road paving and repairs. To alleviate this problem he requested quotes from 5 contractors for grading Dawson Road project. Only two quotes were received: Argo and Son's LLC, who gave the lowest quote of \$42,750. Landmark Grading proposed \$49,500. Later Landmark called back with a lower price, but was still higher than Argo. He recommended contracting with Argo for grading Dawson Road. They will be able to begin next week with completion 4 to 6 weeks. Engineering will still provide all materials and the contract truck hauling for the job. After Argo has finished grading Engineering will pave the road in-house. Approving this service contract will help his department catch up on their repair and improvement schedule. Commissioner Lee motioned to approve Mr. Kite's recommendation. Seconded by Commissioner Pugh. The vote was unanimous.

Assistant Administrator Vickie Perry requested a budget amendment to make the last payments for the Judicial Building renovations. The amendment is as follows:

Road & Bridge Fund 112			
Increase 112 35500 000	Fund Balance		\$37,000.00
Increase 112 51100 525	Addition & Renovations (2010)		\$37,000.00
		Total	\$37,000.00

Commissioner Lee motioned to approve and was seconded by Commissioner Reed. The vote was unanimous.

Chair Martin announced the Health and Wellness Fair will be held in the Commission Chambers May 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The Russell County Commission Blood Drive will be May 15<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Parking lot.

Chair Martin adjourned the meeting.